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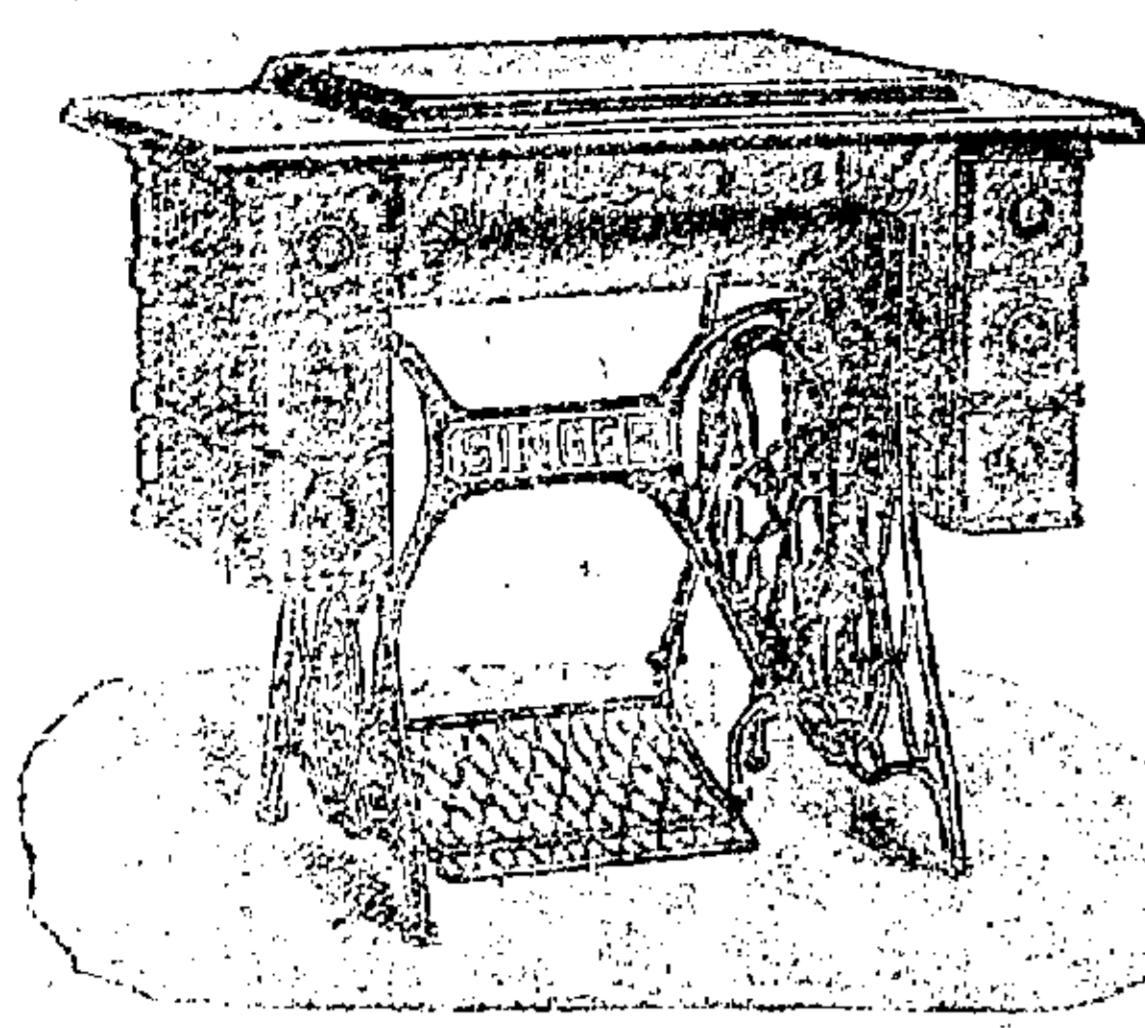
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K. GOODMAN, Hon. Secy.

Hongkong, November 23, 1903. 2361



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Fly Point and Upper Belcher Batteries

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Lyons (Pak-sau-wan) and Sy-yan Batteries

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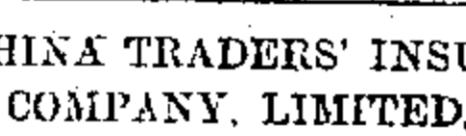
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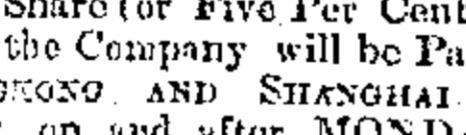
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GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

IN NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the HEAD OFFICE, Victoria, Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the 8TH PROXIMATE, at Twelve o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, together with the Statement of Accounts to 30th April last, and of declaring Dividends.

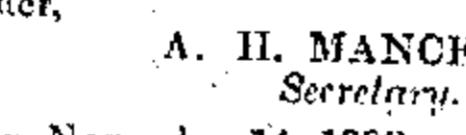
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 24th inst., to the 8th Proximate, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

JAMES WHITTLAY,

Secretary.

Hongkong, November 16, 1903. 2321



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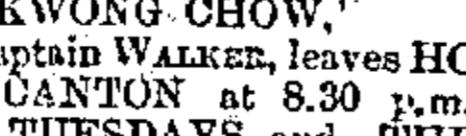
The REGISTER of SHARES will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 23rd instant, until MONDAY, the 30th instant, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares will be registered.

By Order,

A. H. MANSELL,

Secretary.

Hongkong, November 14, 1903. 2311



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TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 1903.

## THE CHINA MAIL.

## HONGKONG STEAM WATER BOAT CO., LTD.

## Annual General Meeting.

The Annual General Meeting of the Hongkong Steam Water Co., Ltd., was held to-day at noon, in the offices of the Company, No. 37, Connaught Road. Mr Chau Sin Ki was in the chair, and there were present: Messrs Chiu Chung How, Kwan Fong Kuk, Tam Wing Po, John A. Carvalho, Capt. Clark and J. W. Kew (General Manager).

The Chairman said—Gentlemen, The report and accounts having been in your hands for some time, I will, with your permission, take them at a read. I can hardly add anything to the report, and have no doubt that the figures must commend themselves to you, and I hope that our current year will be at least equally as good. The new boat which has been added to our fleet has been in service only three months, so that in consequence of this addition, I have every reason to expect that our next balance sheet will show even better results. You will also have observed from the report that we have continued the policy of writing down the Company's property, and the cost will in particular, which is the case, the remainder of our concern, as it is often, nor can it be expected, that a Company can practically wipe out the item under this head in the third year of its existence. With these few remarks, I will move the adoption of the Report and Accounts, but before doing so, I shall be pleased to answer any questions which shareholders may wish to ask.

There being no questions, the Chairman moved the adoption of the report and accounts. Mr Chiu Chung How seconded, and the proposal was carried unanimously.

The motion of Mr Tam Wing Po, seconded by Mr Kwan Fong Kuk, for the appointment of Mr Francis T. Yat to the consulting committee was confirmed.

Captain Clark proposed and Mr J. A. Carvalho seconded that Mr Chau Sin Ki be re-elected to the consulting committee. This motion was carried.

The Chairman proposed the re-election of Mr Hutton Potts as auditor for the ensuing year. On being seconded by Mr Kew the motion was carried.

Capt. Clark proposed a vote of thanks to the General Manager for the satisfactory manner in which the business of the Company was carried on, and to the consulting committee. Mr Carvalho seconded the proposal, which was carried with applause.

Mr Kew briefly responded.

The Chairman announced that dividend warrants would be ready on the following day and would be delivered on application. He thanked the gentlemen for their attendance, and the meeting closed.

## MEETING OF JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

At the Magistracy to-day, under the presidency of Mr J. H. Kemp, a meeting of Justices of the Peace was held to consider one application for a publican's license, and three applications for adjunct licenses. There were present: Capt. F. W. Lyons, Acting Superintendent of Police, Messrs E. T. Vieich, A. Shelton Hooper, D. Clark, F. Browne, H. H. Craig and C. D. Melbourne.

An application was received from J. D. M. Cameron, 'Occidental Hotel,' Kowloon, for a publican's license.

Mr Kemp said that there were no police objections, and that the names of the householders were acceptable. He moved the application be granted, and the meeting concurred.

George James Clark, 'Connaught House Hotel,' applied for an adjunct license. Among the names of the householders attached to his application was that of Chan A Fook.

Mr Shelton Hooper asked who was Chan A Fook.

Mr Kemp—I suppose he is at Messrs Watkins & Co.

Mr Shelton Hooper—Do they supply any liquor to the applicant?

Mr Kemp—Is Mr Clark here?

Mr Melbourne, who was looking outside for Mr Clark, reported that he was absent.

Mr Shelton Hooper—Under the circumstances, I think we ought to treat the application in the same way as those at the Annual Session of the Justices. I think it is great disrespect to the Justices to be asked to continue the application when the applicant does not attend.

At this stage Mr Clark walked in.

Mr Kemp—Who is this Chan A Fook?

Mr Clark—He is at Messrs Watkins and Company.

Mr Kemp—Do they supply you with liquor of any kind?

Mr Clark—No, nothing at all.

Mr Kemp then proposed that the application should be granted, which was agreed to.

Richard Francis Daly, 'Oyster Bar and Restaurant,' 51 Des Voeux Rd., applied for an adjunct license.

Mr Shelton Hooper—Is there any communication addressed to the Licensing Justices respecting this application?

Mr Kemp—Yes, one has been received.

Mr Shelton Hooper—If it is addressed to me, I think it may be read.

Mr Kemp then read a portion of a letter from Mr Li Comar objecting to the license being granted, on the ground that it would injure his business.

Mr Craig—A very reasonable objection.

Mr Kemp asked if they wanted the whole letter read.

Mr Shelton Hooper—No, I thought that as the letter was addressed to us it should be brought before us, and I think this is a matter that should be discussed in private.

After the private discussion Mr Daly was called in and Mr Kemp said—The Justices have decided to refuse your application.

Mr Daly commenced to explain to the Justices that he had to send to another hotel daily for liquor for the convenience of his guests, and that he was money out of pocket by it. He had been Manager of the Kowloon Hotel for some three years.

Mr Shelton Hooper—Your Worship, I think it would be well, having refused the application, to inform the applicant that it was not refused on account of the character of his house or himself, but on account of the locality.

Mr Kemp—Yes, it was not on account of your character that the application was refused, but merely on the ground that the house not necessary.

John Anderson, 'Happy Valley Retreat Restaurant,' withdrew an application for an adjunct license.

That closed the business before the meeting.

## CRICKET.

## FINAL ON THE R. G. A. CUP.

At Happy Valley yesterday the 78th and 80th Companies of the Royal Garrison Artillery met for the final in the Challenge Cup. The 78th Company opened the game, and were dismissed for 38 runs. The 80th Company were jubilant about their chances then, and going in knocked up 39 runs for the loss of nine wickets, thus winning by one wicket and one run.

The following were the scores:—

78TH COMPANY.	80TH COMPANY.
Mr. Gar. Thurlow, c Sewell, b Browning	6
Bombardier Boyce, c and b Butler	2
Mr. Edwards, b Butler	6
Cpl. Wilson, c Toone, b Butler	7
Mr. Gar. Cattrell, b Butler	0
Sgt. Major Wheeler, b Browning	0
Mr. Gurd, b Butler	0
Mr. Spinkley, c and b Browning	0
Mr. Hughes, not out	19
Sundries	4
	38
Butler took 6 wickets for 25 runs and Browning 4 for 13.	
Mr. Gar. Murphy, b Boyle	0
Cpl. Heddington, c Thurlow, b Boyle	10
Cpl. Toone, c Wheeler, b Edwards	4
Mr. Gar. Browning, c Spinkley, b Boyle	0
Mr. Gor. Butler, c Edwards, b Boyle	14
Bombardier Fisher, b Boyle	0
Bombardier Vical, b Boyle	0
Sgt. Mann, not out	7
Bombardier Wilshaw, run out	0
Mr. Gar. Sewell, b Thurlow	2
Sundries	2
	39
Boyle secured six wickets for sixteen runs; Thurlow took one for two runs; and Edwards one for twenty-one.	

## BUSINESS PROSPECTS IN THE PHILIPPINES.

(From Our Own Correspondent).

MANILA, November 24.

Business is improving slowly, principally owing to the approach of Christmas. This season and Easter are the harvest times of the sheepeater. Things do seem to be slightly rosier. If we have a fairly good rice-crop in the Islands and the next Iligo crop of sugar turns out about two million piculs as expected, then, financially, things must improve.

From some districts, it is reported that the Rice crop is promising well, but I am afraid that the hitherto Rice-producing districts, such as Pangasinan, Capiz, North Samar and Nueva Caceres, will again produce little or nothing and large imports of Saigon and Rangoon Rice will be required.

The Americans and Filipinos seem to

imagine that if we have free trade with the Islands and the States that nothing more is required to ensure the prosperity of the country. Some people would directly benefit by this free trade. Sugar planters, for instance, as the duty on Sugar in the States being equal to \$3 per picul on Iligo. Assorted, this would bring them about 75 per cent. extra for their Sugar. But there is no duty in America on Iligo. Iligo Rice will be required, and although Tobacco business would benefit by the suppression of duties this would benefit more the owners of the principal

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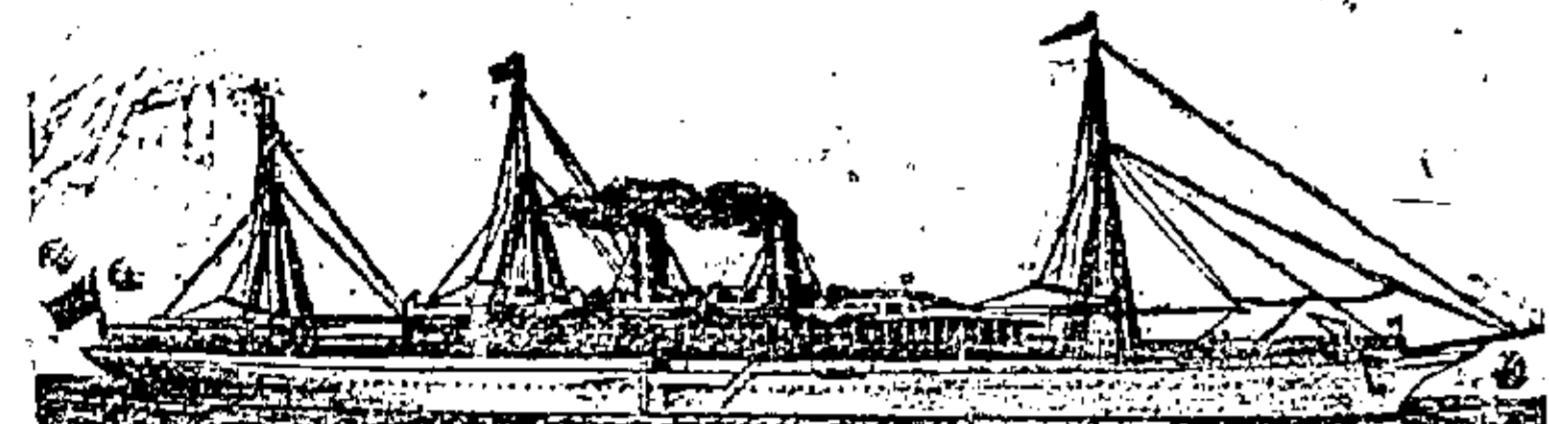
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GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	YANGETSU	12th December.	
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	PHIRHUS	24th December.	
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	TYDEUS	29th December.	
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	NESTOR	1st January.	
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	KEDRUN	8th January.	

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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	HYSON	8th December.
* LIVERPOOL	ACHILLES	26th December.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	PROMETHEUS	22nd December.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	DARDANUS	5th January.
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KONG ALBERT ..... WEDNESDAY, 29th Nov.

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KIAUTSCHOU ..... WEDNESDAY, 6th Jan.

SACHSEN ..... WEDNESDAY, 20th Jan.

BAYER ..... WEDNESDAY, 3rd Feb.

GERA ..... WEDNESDAY, 17th Feb.

SEYDLITZ ..... WEDNESDAY, 10th Mar.

PREUSSEN ..... WEDNESDAY, 20th Mar.

## A FLAG INCIDENT.

The *R. N. B. Herald* of the 16th October says:—By some strange fatality which seems to hover around Fort Dyer the flag of the United States appeared at half-mast and upside down on the arrival of the U.S.S. *Albion* on the 11th inst. As this incident was noticed by those on board we take this opportunity of apologizing for the gross stupidity of an Indian Constable who is responsible for the terrible mistake which has been explained to him in unmitigable terms as follows:—

(i) that he should not have hoisted the American flag at all but dipped the *Albion* Jests three times in reply to a similar salute from the *Albion*.

(ii) that if he does intend to hoist the United States Ensign he must see to it very carefully in future that the flag is not upside down.

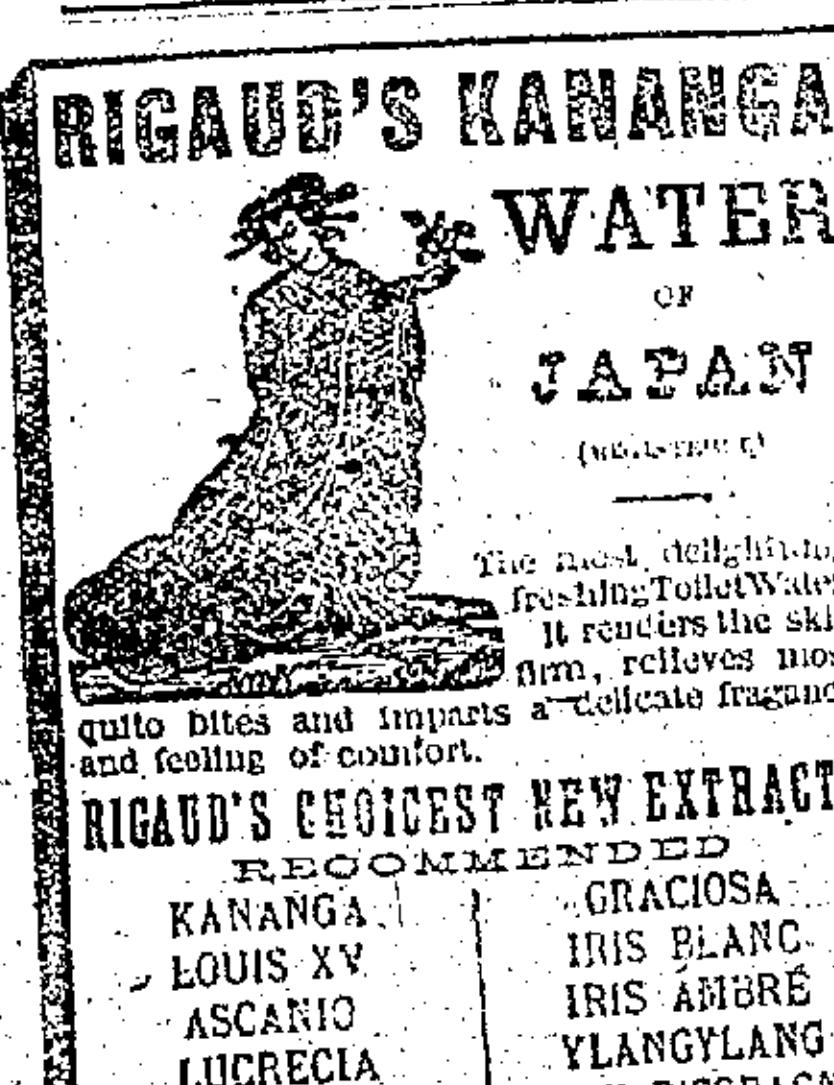
(iii) that it is better to die a violent death at the hands of a Barrack-room Guard than to hoist the U.S. S. Ensign half-mast. We are greatly relieved to learn that a constable has been specially detailed now to attend to the flag business whenever a man-of-war visits the port, and we hope that the question of salutes will at last be placed on a correct and workable system to the elimination of these public blunders which cause us all so much pain and disgust.

## THE LATE DUKE OF RICHMOND.

Says our London Correspondent:—The death of the Duke of Richmond will be keenly felt by those who, like himself, devote so much time to the improvement of English agriculture. On all the many Agricultural Commissions that his Grace sat on he was ever noted for the tact and calm judgment that he brought to bear on this question which is year by year becoming more hopeless. He was one of the few who believed that England's prosperity was synonymous with the better cultivation of her land, and agricultural depression caused him much anxiety and worry. It is said that farms which in his father's lifetime were regarded as containing some of the finest wheat-growing land in the country were given up by his tenants who declared they would be unable to make them pay even if they had the rent free. The Goodwood Race Course was situated on his Sussex estate, and the hospitality of Goodwood House was one of the most celebrated features of this famous meeting; indeed there is some doubt now that the Duke is dead whether the gathering will be continued, because the course is some distance from the railway station and a steep hill makes it difficult of approach, and in these days of quick and easy travel these are two serious considerations. The Duke of Richmond is a descendant of Charles II by Louise de Querouaille, Duchess of Portsmouth, and it is a family tradition that the eldest son should always be called after this monarch.

## LADY MISSIONARIES.

A crowded meeting, largely composed of ladies, was held at the Church House, Westminster, on Sept. 30, to take leave of 34 lady missionaries of the Church of England Zemana Missionary Society, almost all of whom are proceeding to the foreign field this month. Twenty-nine are going out for the first time; the rest are returning. One new worker, sent by the Church Missionary Association of Victoria, Australia, has been accepted by the Committee to work in China. Sir W. Mackworth Young, chairman of the Society, presided, and gave the opening address. He remarked that, in view of the present proportion of missionaries of all nationalities to the population of India—namely, one to 70,000—and the still more unfathomable call from China, he could wish that the claims of foreign missions were heard with tenfold greater attention, and that hundreds, instead of tens, were sent out in response. In his opinion, English women missionaries, such as this large meeting was gathered to bid farewell to, were the truest body of heroines that the page of history could record, and they were to be esteemed for their work's sake, supported and invited. The instructions to the outgoing missionaries were read by the Rev. G. Tonge, clerical secretary; two of the returning missionaries, Miss B. Brenton Carey (Sindhi) and Miss J. B. Davids (Central Provinces), addressed the audience; and the Rev. D. J. Stather Hunt, vicar of Holy Trinity, Turnbridge Wells, gave the validating address from Ephes. 5: 18-23. A collection in aid of the general funds of the society, which amounted to £47, was made during the course of the meeting.



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at H.M. Naval Yard.

Meeting:

Noon—Meeting of Hongkong Nursing  
Institution, in the City Hall.

Miscellaneous:

9 a.m.—Military Practice.

Goods per *Nippon* undelivered after  
this date subject to rent.Goods per *Tambo Maru* not cleared on  
this date subject to rent.

General Memoranda.

THURSDAY, November 26:

Goods per *Nippon* undelivered after  
this date subject to rent.Goods per *Luding* undelivered after 4  
p.m. on this date landed.

FRIDAY, November 27:

Goods per *Ballard* not cleared at 4 p.m.  
on this date subject to rent.

SATURDAY, November 28:

5 p.m.—Auction of a Fine Collection of  
Old & Rare Postage Stamps &c.,  
at Mr. Goo, 1, Lumsden's Saloon Rooms.

MONDAY, November 30:

An Interim Dividend of A. S. Watson  
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FRIDAY, December 4:

9 a.m.—Military Practice.

TUESDAY, December 8:

Noon—Meeting of Shareholders of The  
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**BIRTHS.**On the 24th November, at Ranfurly,  
Conduit Road, the wife of F. A. Wendorf,  
of a Son.On the 15th November, at Blancho Villa,  
Scott's Road, Singapore, the wife of H. A.  
Scott, of a Daughter.On November 18, at 8 Chao-fu-kuang Road,  
Shanghai, to Mr and Mrs J. W. S. New-  
son, a Daughter.**MARRIAGES.**On the 17th November, at Holy Trinity  
Cathedral, Shanghai, by the Rev. C. J. F.  
Synnott, B.A., WILLIAM McCORMICK, of  
Stevenson, to ISABELLA CAMPBELL PROVAN,

of Glasgow, Scotland.

**DEATHS.**On the 15th November, at No. 12 Wilkie  
Road, Singapore, VIVIAN EMIL GORDON, the  
youngest son of Mr and Mrs H. C. Hogan;  
aged 2 years and 4 months.On the 10th October, at San Francisco,  
Mr. A. SPUNT; aged 68 years.25.—The publication of this issue commenced  
at 5.15 p.m.**The China Affair.**

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 1903.

**LOCAL AND GENERAL.**

NOTES by the Way.

The Peking University talks of sending  
20 students to Japan next Spring, and 10 to  
Europe to study.Captain Gale, 2nd Gurkhas, has been  
selected for appointment as Assistant Com-  
mandant, Lushai Military Police.Second Lieutenant Woodfall, Middle-  
sex Regiment, attached to the 1st Norfolk,  
died at Bareilly, India, on November 4.French Railway Engineers surveying in  
Yunnan are reported to have been attacked in  
Lingan-chia and narrowly escaped with  
their lives.According to a recent advice to certain  
official quarters in Tokio, Viceroy Alexeiff  
will leave Port Arthur for St. Petersburg  
on the 28th inst.Chin Kwan, the small official who con-  
cerned himself in the death of Shen Chien,  
is said to be going to America on the track  
of more reformers.The nephew of Li Hung-Chang, Mr Li  
Ching-Tsu, is about to receive a Taotai-ship in  
Kwangsi, and an Edict is expected to be  
issued in a few days.**LOCAL AND GENERAL.**

Anti-Missionary Riot.

It is reported from Ningpo that an-  
other anti-missionary riot is in progress in  
the Hsin-chang District of Chekiang.There were 194 European and 69 Chi-  
nese visitors to the City Hall Library, 58  
European and 1357 Chinese to the Museum  
during the week ending 22nd November.In his recent frontier tour, Lord Kitchener  
inspected the important passes, positions,  
and garrisons in Chital and Gilgit, and rode  
and walked one thousand five hundred miles.The Peking and Tientsin Times of Nov.  
6 says that it is reported that the Customs  
at Dalny has ceased working owing to the  
Russian Commissioner disregarding the In-  
spector-General's instructions.The Governor-designate of Kwangsi  
has sent up his fourth application to resign  
his post. The Government regarding him  
as a hopeless individual will accept it this  
time, and this will, of course, end his  
official career.

The War.

War not having broken out "within a  
few days," as predicted by the prophet of  
some of our Far Eastern contemporaries,  
the special correspondent and prophet of  
the Singapore Free Press now writes:—I  
have been awaiting round Korea since I last  
wrote, and cannot alter my former view—  
that war is inevitable sooner or later.  
Before February, I think."

The Seychelles Colony.

It is officially announced that the King  
has been pleased to cause Letters Patent to  
be passed under the Great Seal of the United  
Kingdom erecting the Seychelles Islands  
into a separate Colony, to be known as the  
Colony of Seychelles, and constituting the  
office of Governor and Commander-in-Chief  
thereof. His Majesty has also been pleased  
to appoint Ernest Bickham Sweet-Escott,  
Esq., C.M.G. (now Administrator), to be  
Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the  
Colony of Seychelles.

The British Squadron.

The Times of the 23rd ult. says:—The  
Centurion, battleship, will be commissioned  
at Portsmouth on November 3, by Capt.  
F. F. Fegen, as was stated in this column  
yesterday. We have authority for saying  
that the statement published in some  
newspapers, but not in The Times, that  
the Russell, battleship, Capt. A. L. Wins-  
low, C.M.G., would proceed from the  
Mediterranean to the China Station is  
incorrect. There has never been any in-  
tention of sending the Russell to China, nor  
is the Europa, cruiser, going to that  
station.

Naval Matters.

The British war vessels from the  
North are commencing to get down towards  
Hongkong, as the sloops Rambut, Esquimaux  
and Phoenix and the 2nd class cruiser  
Talisman will leave Japan within a couple of  
days. The 1st class cruiser Leviathan left  
Wei-Hai-Wei yesterday for Hongkong, and  
the battleship Glory is on her way down.  
The battleship Talbot, from Japan, arrived  
on Saturday afternoon, after spending a  
couple of days in Mire Bay. The Storeship  
Humber is at Mire Bay, as is also the  
surveying ship Waterwitch. The Humber  
returns about Wednesday, but the Water-  
witch will remain in Mire Bay until Christ-  
mas.Many in Singapore will regret to hear  
of the death of Mr A. R. Croucher, who  
came to Singapore to Messrs Powell Rob-  
inson's in 1901, and died yesterday morn-  
ing at Kuala Lumpur of enteric fever, says  
the Singapore Free Press of the 16th inst.  
He was an enthusiastic volunteer while in  
Singapore, and all who knew him appreciated  
his kindly disposition. For the last  
fourteen months he has been in charge of  
Messrs Powell Robinson's Salsbury branch  
and he made many friends there, who will  
share in the regret felt at a bright young  
life cut off at the early age of 24.

Races at Tientsin.

The Coronation Challenge Cup (Ts. 600)  
run in connection with the races at  
Tientsin was won by Mr J. M. D. Rain-  
brand, Mr Fair Officer's Chaudron being  
second and Mr Lapton's Quord third.The China Cup (Ts. 400) was won by  
Mr Detring's Cym, Mr Heinemann's Clevis  
being second and Mr Kon's Trump third.The Tientsin Stakes (Ts. 600) was won  
by Mr Fair Officer's Chaudron, Mr Kon's  
Trump being second, and Mr Detring's  
Bam third.

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Health of the Colony.

There were no cases of infectious  
diseases reported during the week, with  
the exception of three cases of plague.

A Duel with Knives.

A duel was fought at Manila on Nov.  
19 between a Spanish actor and a faimor  
from Isla de Negros. The cause of the  
trouble was a girl. The actor was so  
severely wounded on the arm by the knife  
of the farmer that his life was despaired of.  
The fight took place on the Santa Mesa  
race-track, there being no spectators.

Sal of a Ship.

The sailing ship 'C. H. Watjen,'  
whose sale by put lie auction was advertised  
by us a few days ago, was sold at Singapore  
Roads, in a disabled condition, to Messrs  
Latham and Co., Singapore, for \$24,510,  
which is considered a very good price.

Chatre's Circus.

To-morrow night a short season will be  
opened by Chatre's Circus and Menagerie  
on the vacant land opposite the Central  
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an excellent programme of marvellous  
gymnastic feats, riding, dancing and  
singing will be submitted. The circus will  
be accommodated in a large tent. Prices  
are reasonable.

Viceroy Chang as Generalissimo.

A telegram received at Shanghai from  
Peking states that the Empress Dowager  
has signified her intention to appoint  
Viceroy Chang Chih-tung as Generalissimo  
of the forces to oppose the Russians in  
Manchuria, that is to say, the Chief in  
command of the First Imperial Line of  
Defence, while Viceroy Yuan Shih-kai, who  
is a better man at organising, is to be  
Chief of the Second Line of Defence, and  
his work is to organise succeeding  
armies of foreign-modelled troops.

Fire in West Point.

Shortly before midnight on Sunday  
night a fire broke out in a godown in Sai  
On Lane, and before the fire was mastered  
the whole of the stock was gutted. The